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1. TURKISH PARTICIPANTS IN THE SHIRAZ NAMESA CONFERENCE GAVE IT
HIGH MARKS. THEY WERE SATISFIED WITH THE SITE, PRAISED THE
OBVIOUS METICULOUS PREPARATION BY CONFERENCE ORGANIZERS, AND
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WERE IMPRESSED WITH THE HIGH CALIBER OF MOST SPEAKERS. SPECIAL

KUDOS WENT TO AMERICANS DANIEL AARON ON AMERICAN LITERATURE;
C. ERIC LINCOLN'S ANALYSIS OF THE NATION OF ISLAM; AND ALICE
HARRIS' PRESENTATION ON THE IDEOLOGIES OF THE WOMEN'S LIBERATION
MOVEMENT.

2. BASED ON DEBRIEFINGS WITH TURKISH PARTICIPANTS, POST FEELS
NAMESA WAS SUCCESSFUL IN STIMULATING INTEREST IN AMERICAN STUDIES
IN THE NEAR EAST AND IN IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF ACADEMIC DEBATE
ON THE BICENTENNIAL. TURKS AGREED PROGRAM WAS TOO TIGHTLY
SCHEDULED AND THAT PRINTED DRAFTS OF PAPERS SHOULD HAVE BEEN MADE
AVAILABLE PRIOR TO THEIR DELIVERY. LACK OF HOTEL SPACE UPON
RETURN TO TEHRAN WAS INCONVENIENT BUT DID NOT DAMPEN TURKS
ENTHUSIASM FOR THE CONFERENCE.
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